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**Draft Guidance on Bicalutamide**

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**Active Ingredient:** Bicalutamide

**Dosage Form:** Tablet

**Route:** Oral

**Strength:** 50 mg

**Recommended Study:** One in vivo bioequivalence study with pharmacokinetic endpoints

1. Type of study: Fasting  
Design: Single-dose, two-treatment, two-period crossover in vivo  
Strength: 50 mg  
Subjects: Healthy males  
Additional comments: Female subjects should be excluded from the bioequivalence studies. Bicalutamide has a long terminal elimination half-life. Ensure adequate washout periods between treatments in the crossover studies. Applicants may also consider using a parallel study design due to bicalutamide’s long half-life. For long half-life drug products, an AUC truncated to 72 hours may be used in place of AUC<sub>0-t</sub> or AUC<sub>0-∞</sub>.

**Analyte to measure:** Bicalutamide, using an achiral assay

**Bioequivalence based on (90% CI):** Bicalutamide

**Waiver request of in vivo testing:** Not applicable

**Dissolution test method and sampling times:** The dissolution information for this drug product can be found in the FDA’s Dissolution Methods database, <http://www.accessdata.fda.gov/scripts/cder/dissolution/>. Conduct comparative dissolution testing on 12 dosage units for each of the test product and reference listed drug (RLD).<sup>1</sup> Specifications will be determined upon review of the abbreviated new drug application.

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<sup>1</sup> If the RLD is not available, refer to the most recent version of the FDA guidance for industry on *Referencing Approved Drug Products in ANDA Submissions*.